

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OPEN SESSION OF THE BOARD OF
GOVERNORS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 1986
AT 2:40 P.M., H-769, SGW CAMPUS

ATTENDANCE: Present were: Mr. D. W. McNaughton, Chairman, Mr. M. J. Bourgault, C.M., Ms. S. Cappelli, Dr. C. Draimin, Dr. T. Fancott, Mr. J. Roy Firth, Prof. R. Greenberg, Dr. J. Hill, Mr. R. Hiscox, Dr. M. Jérôme-Forget, Dr. P. Kenniff, Ms. Y. Lifshitz, Mr. L. Ian MacDonald, Ms. V. E. Monkman, Dr. F. R. Whyte, Rev. A. Graham, S.J., Secretary.

Absent with apologies: Mr. R. Burns, Mr. J. Dinsmore, Me A. Gervais, Mr. R. K. Groome. O.C., Dr. H. Habib, Mr. T. Hecht, Mr. M. Judson, Dr. M. J. Kornblatt, Prof. G. Martin, Mr. Paul E. Martin, Mr. W. E. McLaughlin, O.C., Me J. J. Pepper, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. W. W. Stinson, Mr. C. I. Taylor.

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AND ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES

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| BG-86-4-D16 | - | Effective date of change of Restructuring of Senate. |
| BG-86-4-D17 | - | Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees. |
| BG-86-4-D22 | - | List of Faculty members - March 8, 1986. |
| BG-86-4-D23 | - | Report on Academic Excellence Fee. |
| BG-86-4-D24 | - | Design Students' Association. |

1.1 Mr. McNaughton occupied the chair.

1.2 The agenda was accepted as published.

1.3 It was moved and seconded (Habib, Draimin) and unanimously RESOLVED:

R86-62 *THAT the minutes of the meeting of March 20, 1986, be approved.*

2. Business Arising from the Minutes

2.1 Operating and Capital Budgets

The Vice-Rector, Institutional Relations & Finance announced that because she had not completed interviews with various members of the University community and because further study and change to the budgets seem desirable, final approval will be proposed at the May meeting.

The Vice-Rector also spoke about the possibility of introducing an "academic excellence fee" of approximately \$150 per student. She feels strongly that such a fee is needed to preserve the academic excellence of Concordia. The possibility of this fee is being proposed to permit full discussion before further consideration at the next Board meeting. In the same context, the Rector announced that the administration will be meeting with student representatives during the coming weeks to consider the possibility of such a fee. Ms. Lifshitz pointed out that at this time of year the students have exams and a new governing structure in CUSA. For both reasons she would like to delay discussion of this matter until the Fall. Ms. Cappelli requested details of the plan in writing to prepare better for the forthcoming discussion.

2.2 Report on the Agreement reached as a result of the Design Students' Association's Appeal

Vice-Rector Whyte expressed his satisfaction at a complete solution to the problem that had arisen surrounding the new curriculum programme affecting the design students. He read extensively from an article entitled "the bottom line" authored by Jacques Daviault and Karen Penney and published in the April-May, 1986 issue of Point, a monthly newsletter of the Design and Graphic Design Students. The students expressed their satisfaction at the way in which a complete solution had finally been achieved. Document BG-86-4-D24, a memo from Dr. Parker, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts, was distributed.

2.3 Effective Date of Senate Changes

It was moved and seconded (Kenniff, Lifshitz) and unanimously RESOLVED:

- R86-63 *THAT, 1. a) the terms of faculty and student members of Senate and the Standing Committees of Senate which expire 31 May 1996, be extended to 30 June 1986;*
- b) the terms of faculty and student members of Senate and the Standing Committees of Senate which go beyond 31 May 1986, shall expire on 30 June 1986;*

- c) notwithstanding paragraphs a) and b), the memberships of the following sub-committees be maintained for the duration of their mandates, with replacements for those terms due to expire this year, being made in the normal fashion: The University Library Committee, the Fellowships Scholarships and Awards Sub-committee, the Sub-committee on the University Writing Test, and the Computer Science Sub-committee, whose membership will be reviewed when the new Computer Resources Committee is established; and that the membership of the Senate Appeals Committee on Cheating and Plagiarism be maintained until the pool of three faculty members and two students from which the membership Appeals Committee will be designated, has been established;
- R86-64 2. *whether or not their terms on Senate have expired, faculty and student members shall continue to serve on the Steering Committee until the September 1986 meeting of Senate;*
- R86-65 3. *Faculty Councils be empowered to make appointments to Senate and Senate Committees effective 1 July 1986, and that Faculty Councils be requested to make such appointments prior to the regular May 1986 meeting of Senate;*
- R86-66 4. *in the initial faculty appointments to Senate made under these transitional provisions, one-third of the faculty in each Faculty shall be appointed for one year, one-third for two years, and one-third for three years;*
- R86-67 5. *CUSA and GSA be empowered to make temporary appointments to Senate and to the Committees of Senate, valid from 1 July to 31 August 1986;*
- R86-68 6. *the changes to the membership and powers of Senate and the membership and functions of the Standing Committees of Senate become effective 1 July 1986, be approved.*

2.4 Resolution concerning the funding of The Link and The Concordian

Mr. Hiscox referred to the tabled motion R86-52 and said that after consultation with Prof. G. Martin, Vice-Rector, Services, it was decided that since the vote of the students referendum is binding on CUSA but not on the University. CUSA will decide on how to divide the monies received according to the resolution of the referendum. He, therefore, proposed to withdraw the tabled motion R86-52 and this was agreed to by common consent.

3. By-law Amendment empowering Senate to grant Academic Degrees and Appended Resolutions

It was moved and seconded (Kenniff, Greenberg) and unanimously RESOLVED:

R86-69 *THAT, referring to BG-86-4-DI7 and to BG-86-3-D9, the following changes in the By-laws of Concordia University, Section IX, Article 30 (9) be amended to read:*

"To grant and issue honorary degrees and other rewards on recommendation of Senate and other appropriate authorized bodies or officers."

It was moved and seconded (Kenniff, Bourgault) and unanimously RESOLVED:

R86-70 *THAT 1. the Board of Governors designate Senate as the body empowered to determine the conferment of certificates, diplomas and degrees, excluding Honorary Degrees; and that Senate be required to submit to the Board of Governors an annual report on graduation statistics and the procedures followed with respect to the acceptance of candidates for certificates, diplomas, and degrees.*

R86-71 *THAT 2. Item 3.1 of the Membership and Powers of Senate be amended to head - "recommend to the Board of Governors the conferment of honorary degrees; appoint members to the Joint Board-Senate Committee that purposes candidates for honorary degrees; determine the conferment of certificates, diplomas and degrees, excluding honorary degrees; and submit to the Board of Governors an annual report on graduation statistics and procedures followed with respect to the acceptance of candidates for certificates, diplomas and degrees."*

4. Report of the Rector

4.1 The Rector reported that at the closed session of this meeting Dr. Charles Giguère, Director of Centre de Recherche Informatique de Montréal, was appointed Vice-Rector, Services for a term of five years effective June 1, 1986.

4.2 The Rector announced that the sod-turning ceremony for the Vanier library extension on the west-end campus will take place on May 9, 1986 at 11:30 a.m. He invited the members of the Board to be present at the ceremony.

4.3 The Rector announced that, effective May 1, 1986, Dr. M. Jérôme-Forget, Vice-Rector, Institutional Relations & Finance will be leaving the University to take up her new post

as President of the Commission de la Santé et de la Sécurité au Travail. The Rector noted that we are honoured that Concordia's Vice-Rector should receive this recognition. At the same time, he expressed regret that Dr. Jérôme-Forget should be leaving the University after serving in an outstanding way the Interests of Concordia.

5. Report of the Vice-Rectors

- 5.2 Dr. Jérôme-Forget thanked the Rector for his support and understanding during the past weeks when she was faced with coming to a very difficult decision. She assured the members of the Board that she is and will always remain a committed friend of Concordia and an advocate of the goals of this University.

Question Period

Ms. Lifshitz stated that some students change their rank from full-time status to part-time, thus creating a problem with the granting of bursaries and loans. She wondered if the status of students could be recorded on their contracts to alleviate this problem. Dr. Kenniff agreed to investigate the matter.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 15, 1986 at 6:00 p.m., Loyola Campus, AD-308.

The meeting terminated at 3:00 p.m.

Aloysius Graham, S.J.,
Secretary